Rev. Dr Porter

Farmington April 23. 1857

Dear Sir

Saml Hooker, 2d pastor of this chh. made entries of families in his chh. records. The following is his entry of the Norton family—

"Births & Baptisms

John Norton joined to our Church in Oct. '61

Hannah Norton daughter of John Norton aged about 12, baptised here, immediately after her father joining, above mentioned.

Dorothy Norton daughter of John Norton aged about 10 was baptised at the same time.

John Norton aged about 8 years was baptised at the same time.

Thomas Norton, son of John Norton, aged about 13 months was baptised at the same time."

Then follows this—

"The children of John Standley Junr

Esther Standley born about Decem 2 '72

baptized immediately after.
John Standley born April 9. '75 baptized "immediately after."

I remember to have heard that Asahel Strong, came to this town from Northampton. The cellar of the house where he lived here is still visible - or rather the place of it. But I can answer definitely none of your enquiries respecting him. Mr Wm S. Porter of New Haven, son of Joseph Porter formerly of this town, has more knowledge of the ancient families here than any other person. Probably he could give you the information which you desire

Romanta Norton married my sister Belinda. I have not the date of her marriage. She died Feb. 22. 1792 - at the birth of her son - ~~He~~ I well remember that

She had not been married long.
Probably her marriage was ~~the~~
in 1791 - & in the spring of that
year. She was born Sept 7: 1770

Ichabod Porter Norton her son
was born as I have said Feb 22:
1792 He died March 13: 1813 -
He had just closed his clerkship in
the store of (Nathaniel?) Patten
Hartford - with a good reputation
for integrity & business talent -
& entered into partnership with
my brother Edward as a merchant in the store that had been
built & occupied not long before
by Reuben Norton, & after him by
his son Thomas, who like Porter
Norton was cut down suddenly in
youth. My brother at that
time lived in the house which
had been occupied by Mr Reuben Norton..

I have an in~~distinct~~ remembran

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of Dea. Noah Stanley of New Britain
He lived to be a very old man -
& was much venerated. He
lived in the neighborhood of Col
Stanley. ~~Col~~ & I suppose was
his brother. Col. Stanley's given
name, of course was not Noah -
My impression is that it was
~~[illegible]~~ Gad - but I am by no means
sure of this. There was somehow
an affinity between the Col. Stanley
& the North families: but whether
Col. Stanley married a North, or
the ancestor of the present Norths
married a Stanley I cannot say.
Our common friend Prof. An-
drews, whose only sister married
a son of Col. Stanley's could
tell you all you would desire
to know on that subject.

With much respect & esteem
Dr. E. Robinson   yours   N. Porter.